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Space & Naval Warfare Systems Center Awards Contract

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Abitis Pharmaceuticals, LLC, Dallas is being awarded a Cost Reimbursement type contract in the amount of \$5,626,767.00 to perform research to determine which amino acid sequencers and conformations are most effective in promoting survival and preventing death and behavioral disturbance in animal models of pathogen exposure. Funding for the grant is comprised of Research, Development, Test and Evaluation funds of \$2,158,003; \$1,844,015; and \$1,593,978 for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001 respectively. Funds of \$2,158,003 are being obligated at the time of the award and will not expire at the end of the fiscal year. Abitis Pharmaceuticals is a small business. Work will be performed in Dallas and is expected to be completed by May 25, 2002. This is an unsolicited proposal. The Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center Charleston is the contracting activity (N65236-99-C-5830).

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